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SUBJ: EXIT VISA REPRESENTATION: CALL AT MFA

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1. SUMMARY. CONSOFFS WERE CALLED TO MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION APRIL 11 TO RECEIVE STATUS REPORT FROM SECTION CHIEF NECHAYEV ON SEVERAL EXIT VISA REPRESENTATION CASES RAISED DURING PRECEDING MONTHS. INSTANCES OF REFUSALS BY LOBAL OVIR OFFICES SIGNIFICANTLY OUTNUMBERS CASES OF RECEIPT EXIT PERMISSION. NECHAYEV EMPHASIZED, HOWEVER, THAT AS RESULT OF CHARGE' S CALL ON CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION DIRECTOR MOLYAKOV KARCH 1, USG REPRESENTATION LIST (14) IS RECEIVING CAREFUL CONSIDERATION. CONSOFFS TOOK OPPORTUNITY REITERATE DEEP INTEREST USG IN REUNIFICATION THESE FAMILIES. END SUMMARY.

2. MFA CONS ADMINISTRATION SECTION CHIEF NECHAYEV INFORMED CONSOFFS APRIL 11 THAT EXIT PERMISSION HAD BEEN GRANTED IN THREE CASES RAISED BY EMBASSY DURING PRECEDING MONTHS. IN ALL THREE CASES, THOSE OF ZHANNA PAVOVNA RADER AND ALBERT JOHNSON (MOSCOW 3815) AND ANAHID OHANIAN FAMILY (MOSCOW 2111), THIS INFO WAS ALREADY KNOWN TO EMBASSY. IN FOURTH CASE, THAT OF DORA SAMUYLOVNA BRIANKSAYA (REP LIST 14, MOSCOW), NECHAYEV STATED THAT APPLICANT DEPARTED FOR ISRAEL FEB 22; EMBASSY HAS NO RECORD THIS CASE, WHICH
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WAS PLACE ON LIST BY DEPARTMENT.

3. NECHAYEV STATED THAT ACCORDING LOCAL AUTHORITIES EXIT VISA APPLICATIONS NOT YET RECEIVED FROM ARNOLD OZOLINS (RIGA) AND GALINA GOLTZMAN AND OLGA MICHELSON (MOSCOW), ALL OF WHOM ON REP LIST 14. CONSOFFS POINTED OUT THAT OZOLINS APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED BY RIGA OVIR MARCH 14 AND THAT GOLTZMAN/ MICHELSON WOULD BE APPLYING IN NEAR FUTURE.

4. NECHAYEV STATED THAT YEREVAN AUTHORITIES NOW " LOOKING INTO" FIVE ARMENIAN CASES ON REL LIST 14-- KADEKIAN, KAZARIAN, REBJIAN, SARKISSIAN AND USTAYAN-- AS WELL AS CASE OF MRS. SIRANUSH HAGOPIAN (MOSCOW -174) AND MRS. AZADIN NIKAEIAN-- WHO WERE INCLUDED ON SUPPLEMENTARY ARMENAIN LIST. LIKewise, MOSCOW OVIR IS " LOOKING INTO" CASE OF MRS. BELLA SHAKHNOVICH, AGE 81, WHO APPLIED IN JANUARY FOR PERMISSION IMMIGRATE TO AMCIT DAUGHTER(MOSCOW A-108). CONSOFFS VENTIONS ON BEHALF MRS. ALEXANDRA FRANZEVA (AGE 91) OF BRYANSK RSFSR AND DESIER LEVENBERG FAMILY OF UKRAINE (BOTH CASES REP LIST 14 AND CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST).

5. NECHAYEV STATED THAT EXIT PERMISSION REFUSED TO FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY UNITS:

- A. GUTMAN, SARA DN RUTA - MOSCOW (REP LIST 14)
- B. LEVINA, GALINA - MOSCOW (REP LIST 14)
- C. HAGOPIAN , HRAND - YEREVAN (MOSCOW -174)
- D. ISKIKIAN, BARKEV - LENINAKAN, ARMENIA (REP LIST 14)
- E. YEMENIDJIAN, GIRAIE - YEREVAN (REPL IST 14)
- F. MANOOGIAN, VISKAN (REP LIST 14)
- G. KARAPETYAN, MARIYA (EMBASSY HAS NO RECORD)
- H. TER- ANDRIASIAN, MARGARIT (REP LIST 14)

CONSOFFS COMMENTED THAT HIS IS DISAPPOINTINGLY LARGE NUMBER OF REFUSLAS AND POINTED OUT THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE CONTINUING LACK OF PROGRESS IN GREAT MAJORITY OF OUR ARMENIAN CASES. NECHAYEV REPLIED THAT " MOST OF THESE ARMENIAN HAVE ONLY UNCLES OR AUNTS IN U. S" CONSOFFS REPLIED THAT RELATIONSHIP IS CLOSER IN MANY CASES AND PROMISES TO PROVIDE MFA WITH DETAILS. CONSOFFS ALSO EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT WITH GUTMAN REFUSAL, POINTING OUT THAT THIS CASE HAS BEEN SUBJECT CONSIDERABLE CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST (OHIO REPRESENTATIVES VANIK AND STANTION AND SENATOR STEVENSON). CONSOFFS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT RELATIONSHIP IN GUTMAN CASE THAT OF DAUGHTER IN US SPONSORING HER MOTHER AND SISTER.

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6. NECHAYEV ALSO STATED THAT APPLICATION OF WRITER GEROGE FEIFER' S MOTHER- IN- LAW, SERAFIMA LEIMER, WAS REFUSED " RECENTLY" BY MOSCOW OVIR. MECHAYEV ASKED WHY WE RAISED CASE IN VEIW FACT LEIMER WISHES TRAVEL TO UK. CONSOFFS EXPLAINED THAT OUR INTEREST BASED ON FACT THAT LEIMER' S SPONSOR AND SON- IN- LAW IS PROMINENT AMERICAN RESIDING TEMPORARILY IN LONDON. CONSOFFS SUGGESTED THAT IF DESTINATION IS CRUCIAL FACTOR, THEY COULD LOOK INTO POSSIBILITY OF HAVING LEIMER APPLY TO US. NECHAYEV REPLIED THAT DESTINATION UNIMPORTANT AND STATED " LET HER APPLY AGAIN." FYI: WE WILL CONVEY SUBSTANCE THIS DISCUSSION IN LETTER TO FEIFER. END FYI.

7. NECHAYEV EMPHASIZED THAT AS RESULT CHARGE' S CALL ON CONS ADMN DIRECTOR MOLYAKOV MARCH 1 (MOSCOW 2281) USG REP LIST 14 NOW RECEIVING " CAREFUL CONSIDERATION." HE MADE STATMENT TO EFFECT THAT " WE DIDN' T EVEN HAVE YOUR LIST BEFORE MR. DUBS' CALL, BUT NOW WE HAVE IT AND WE' RE WORKING ON IT." CONSOFFS POINTED OUT THAT MAJORITY OF CASES IN WHICH MECHAYEV STATED THAT EXIT PERMISSION RECENTLY REFUSED ARE ALSO ON OVERALL REP LIST AND ASKED WHETHER THESE CASES THEREFORE BEING RECONSIDERED. WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAIL, NECHAYEV INDICATED THAT ENTIRE LIST WILL BE GIVEN CONSIDERATION.

8. CONSOFFS TOOK THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE WHICH USG, CONGRESS, AND AMERICAN PUBLIC ATTACH TO CASES OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION. THEY POINTED OUT AS COURTESY THAT CHARGE RASIED MATTER APRIL 10 WITH MFA USA DESK DIRECTOR KORNIYENKO AND GAVE KORNIYENKO REVISED COPY OF REP LIST 14 IDENTICAL TO THAT PRESENTED TO CONS ADMINISTRATION.
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